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ABSTRACT

Esfenvalerate a synthetic pyrethroid insecticide, is widely used in the home environment and in agriculture because of its high activity against a broad spectrum of insectpests and its low animal toxicity. The objective of this study was to investigate the toxicity of pyrethroid insecticides on liver tissues of rats and the possible role of antioxidant plant (curcumin) as a protective agent against oxidative stress, genotoxicity and histological alterations. forty male albino rats were divided into 8 groups of 5 rats /each: G1: served as control and G2: served as positive control received (100mg/kg curcumin), G3, G4 and G5 had oral administration (1/20 LD₅₀, 1/40 LD₅₀ and 1/60 LD₅₀ of esfenvalerate) respectively and the last three groups (G6, G7 and G8) were received the same doses of pesticide plus 100mg /kg curcumin for 28 days daily. animals were sacrificed and bone marrow samples were collected for chromosome aberration assay test and liver samples were used for DNA damage detection by comet assay. exposure of rats to (esfen) induced significant increase in the levels of MDA and significant decrease in total protein, GSH, SOD and catalase whilst the insecticides doses plus curcumin showed decrease in MDA for high and medium dose and ameliorated the reduction of total protein concentration in low dose while induced chromosomal aberrations (CA) such as centromeric gaps, chromatid gaps, chromatid deletion, dicentric chromosome, and ring chromosome. the alkaline comet assay showed significantly increased tail moment, tail length and tailed % in liver cells of animals treated with esfenvalerate alone compared to control group. On the other hand, oral curcumin significantly ameliorated the genotoxicity induced by esfenvalerate. All these results suggest the efficacy of curcumin in amelioration chromosomal aberrations of structures as well as DNA damage, oxidative stress burden and histological damage which may result from its antioxidant properties.

Key words : pyrethroid insecticide, curcumin, genotoxicity, oxidative stress alkaline comet assay

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LIST OF ABBREVIATION AND INITION

B.Wt	: Body weight
CAT	: catalase
CA	: Chromosomal aberration
DNA	: Deoxyribose nuclic acid
EC	: Emulsion concentration
GABA	: Gamma-Aminobutyric acid
GSH	: Reduced glutathione
GST	: glutathione-S-transferase
GSSG	: Glutathione disulfide
GR	: Glutathione reductase
GP_x	: Glutathione peroxidase
HBSS	: Hank's Balanced Salt Solution
LCT	: lambda cyhalothrin
LC₅₀	: Median lethal concentration
LD₅₀	: Median lethal dose
LPO	: Lipid peroxidation
MDA	: Malonyldialdehyde
MN	: micronuclei
PBS	: Phosphate-buffered saline

ROS	: Reactive oxygen species
SCE	: sister-chromatid exchanges
SCGE	: single-cell gel electrophoresis
SDS	: sodium dodecyl sulphate
SOD	: super oxide dismutase
TL	: Tail length
TD	: Tail DNA
TM	: Tail moment
VSSC	: Voltage-Sensitive Sodium Channels